

TARANAKI PONY CLUB

CHAMPIONSHIP TEAMS EVENTS

To be part of any sports team is a very exciting event for any young sports person. So it goes without saying to be part of a Taranaki Pony Club team is a great achievement for both mount and rider. Lots of hard work and time goes into getting yourself and your mount to that level.

The Taranaki Pony Club would like to send teams & or individuals to the NZPCA Dressage, Show Jumping, Eventing, Games and this year Inter Pacific. This is an information sheet on what qualifying standards you must have to be able to put your name forward for these teams.

Team and Individual riding members must be on the NZPCA database 90 days prior to the first day of the competition they are attending and the rider/mount combinations fulfilled the minimum working rally requirement and have obtained the required NQS's.

DRESSAGETEAM

Age Limit of Riders Teams and Individual

- Junior: Riders 14 years and under as at the 1st August , preceding the championship.
- Intermediate: Riders 18 years and under as the 1st August, preceding the championship.
- Senior: Riders 24 years and under as at the last day of the dressage at the championship competition.

Riders must attain NQS's for Dressage in the 12months preceding the closing of entry date for the championship.

Mounts

- There will be no height limit, but mounts must be four years of age or over based on the official foaling date of 1st August for Southern Hemisphere born horses and 1st January for Northern Hemisphere born horses.
- No mount will be ridden by more than one rider.
- The same mount must be ridden in both tests of the competition.
- The competitor must ride the same horse they gained the points for the Area Team Point Selection.
- Riders are able to ride two horses, but only one in the Area Team, the other as an individual.

National Qualification Standard (NQS): From the 1st August 2021, in order to enter the NZPCA Dressage Championship combinations are required to have obtained 2 (two) National Qualification Standard (NQS) within 12 months prior to entries closing for the Championship Event.

- NQS's need to be achieved at level 1 or above for Junior, Level 2 and above for Intermediate and level 3 or above for Senior.
- A NQS is achieved by completing a competition (NZPCA or ESNZ) with a score of at least 55% in one test.
- A NQS may be obtained from achievements in eventing tests provided they are of the required standard.
- NQS's can only be obtained from tests Judged by a ESNZ Dressage NZ Judge on the ESNZ officials list.

EVENTING TEAM

National Qualifying Standard (NQS):

All Riding Members are required to achieve 2 NQS's at the division entering (or above) in the previous 12 months, or 3 NQS's in the 24 months preceding the Championships.

A NQS is achieved by completing a competition within the following minimum performance parameters:

- not less than 50 percent in the Dressage Test; and
- not more than 30 penalties at obstacles on the Cross-Country Test, and
- not more than 90 seconds exceeding the optimum time in the Cross-Country Test; and
- not more than 16 penalties in the Jumping Test.

There are no dispensations for NQS's

Areas CANNOT place any additional requirements on riders seeking selection.

Age Limits of Riders:

- MT Division: Riders 14 years and under as at the 1 st August preceding the Competition.
- DC Division: Riders 18 years and under as at the 1 st August preceding the Competition.
- A1 Division: Riders 24 years and under as at the last day of Competition.

Riders 14 years old may compete above their level provided they comply with ESNZ Rules of Eventing Article 614.1.5. and Article 633 Minimum Requirements for Horse and Athlete.

Divisions: Riding Members may ride in two Divisions at the Championships, provided all criteria is achieved. One Division as a Team Member and one Division as an Individual.

Mounts: • There will be no height limit, but mounts must be five years or over.

SHOW JUMPING

HOY TEAM

This team event is held at the HOY. The trials are held as part of the Taranaki Equestrian Jumping show that is held in January.

A Pony is to jump 1.10m and a Hack to jump 1.15m

The team is made up of two ponies & two hacks.

CHAMPIONSHIP WEEK TEAM

The Championship week also has a show jumping section. One ring is for Riders that can jump 1st round 1.05m then 2nd round 1.10m being a pony or horse. The other ring is for Riders that can jump 1.10m 1st round then 1.15m 2nd round being a pony or horse.

Once again, the rider and mount must have attended their pony club rallies.

GAMES TEAM

Riders must attend the trial at Taranaki Area Games.

Riders are to have attended the required rallies.

Nomination forms will be sent out to clubs. These must be signed and returned by the due date with the nomination fee paid into the TAPC bank account.

Taranaki Area Pony Club has uniforms and team rugs that the riders and mounts can use for the Championship teams or there is the option to purchase a team polo and rug that you get to keep.

TAPC contribution for Area Teams

NZPCA entry fee for the team and any online administration fees.

\$20 towards any compulsory dinner per team member.

\$50 per rider including reserves for a lesson with team coach before event.

Coach

\$100 per day to a maximum of \$1000.00 (eventing coach) while away with the team. Travel time to be included.

Coach dinner, travel and accommodation is provided. The coach is expected to stay with the team.

Riders are expected to cover their own costs for travel, yards, accommodation/camping and any dinner costs above the \$20 paid by area. Riders who wish to purchase a polo and/or rug will be charged for these at cost price.

Once a rider has been successful in making a TAPC team any costs that Taranaki Area Pony club occur for them is to be paid back in full if they pull out of the team for any reason.

A doctor or vets' certificate will be asked for if there is an injury of mount or rider.

This is at the discretion of the Taranaki Area Pony Club.